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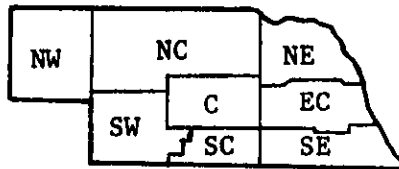
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WEATHER

Temperatures averaged about normal except in the Panhandle where temperatures were about 5 degrees above normal. The western third of Nebraska had generally less than a tenth of an inch of moisture while the eastern two-thirds received as much as an inch to an inch and a half of precipitation.

GENERAL

Warmer weather started the snow melt across the State last week and caused some very muddy road and farm yard conditions. The major activities of the State's farmers and ranchers during the week included: livestock care, preparation of equipment for spring planting, farm record preparation, and attending sales and meetings.

CROPS AND FEED SUPPLIES

Condition of the 1979 winter wheat crop at the week's end was rated as 46% good, 52% fair, and 2% poor. Ranges and pastures were rated 58% below average to 42% average. Supplemental feeding of feed grains, hay and forage to livestock has been continuing with mostly adequate supplies available. A limited amount of fieldwork has been done in western areas for sugar beet planting.

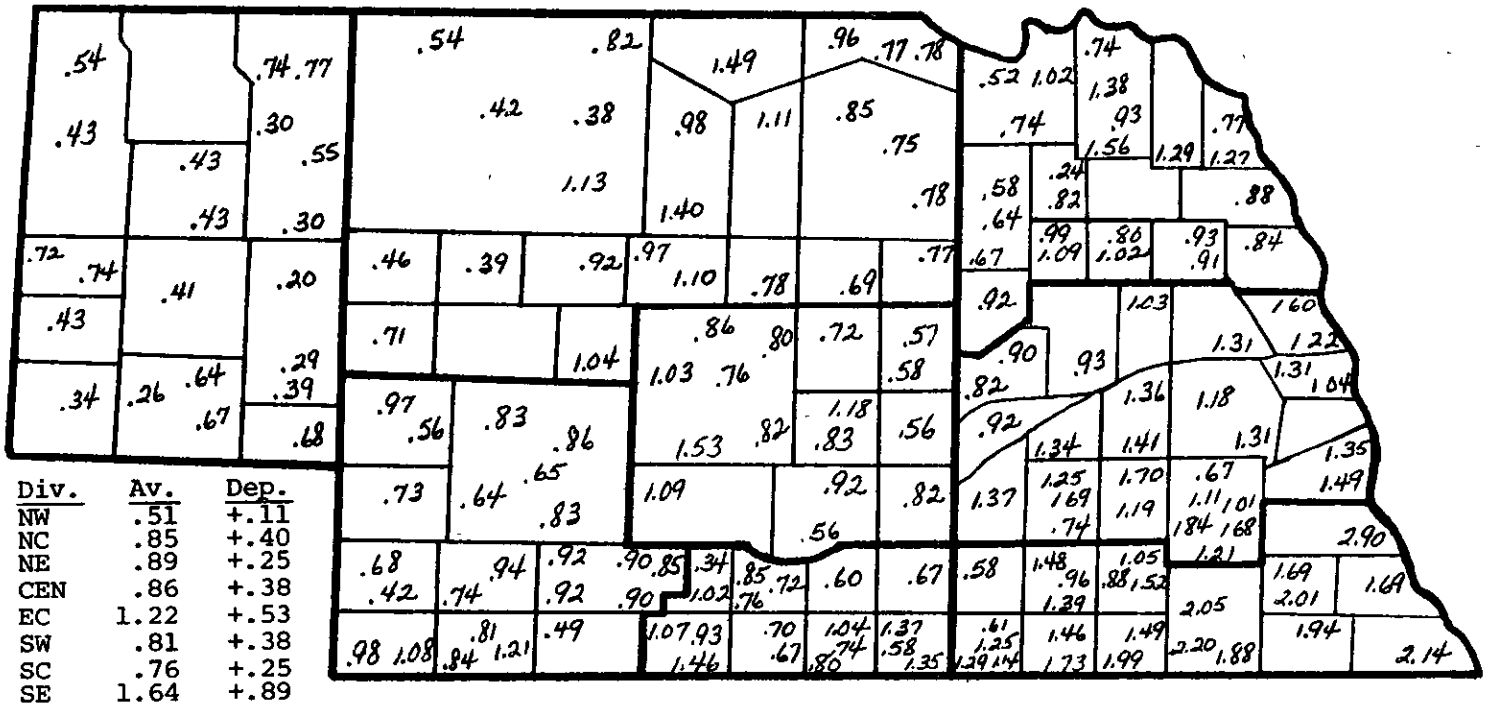
LIVESTOCK

Rapidly melting snow created very muddy feedlots and caused difficulty with the care and feeding of livestock. Calving activities increased sharply during the week. Some young calves were in a weakened condition, but death losses have not been above average to date. A few reports of high death losses to young pigs in some counties. Lambing has begun in many western counties.

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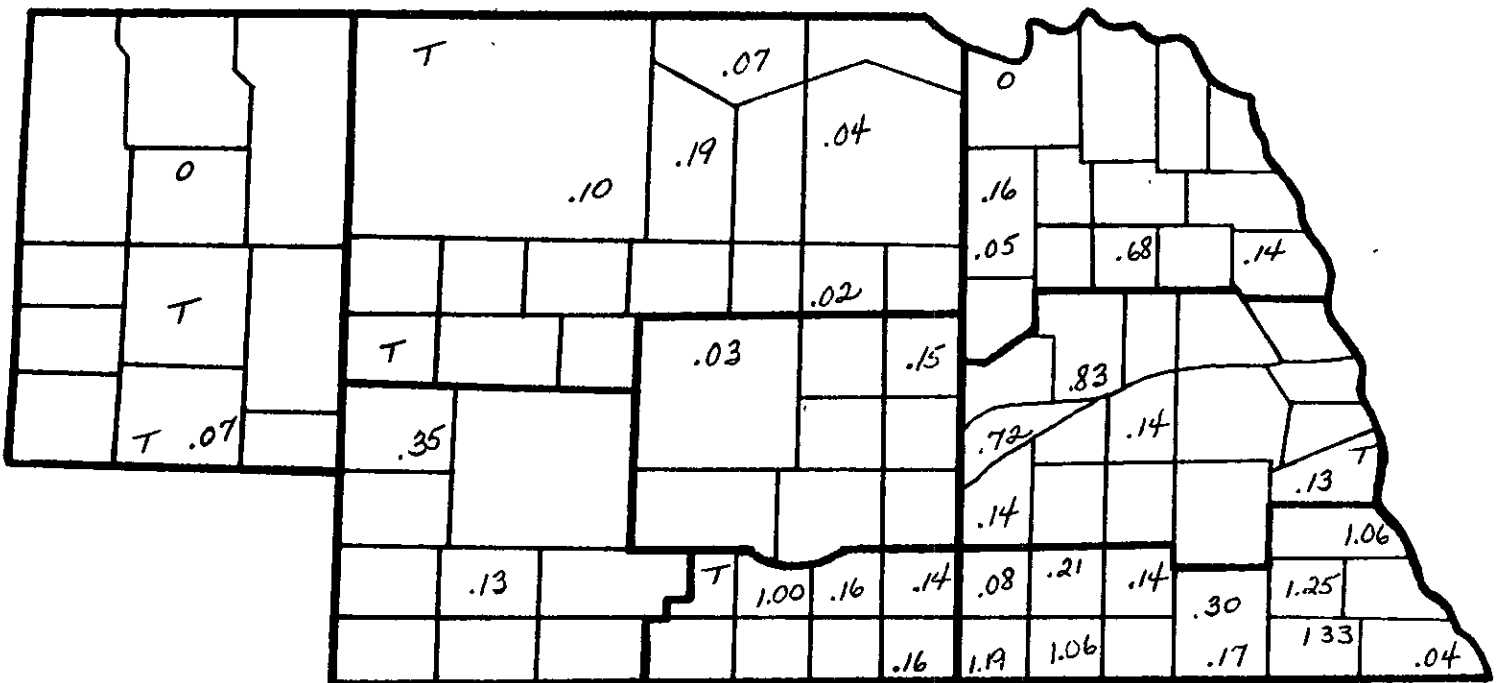
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PRECIPITATION MAP FOR MONTH OF JANUARY 1979 1/



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PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 A.M. SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 1979



TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 P.M. SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 1979

Station		Temperature			Precipitation
		Extremes		Mean	Departure
		Max	Min		
NW	Chadron	48	5	28	--
	Scottsbluff	62	16	37	+6
	Sidney	62	12	33	--
NC	Burwell	44	10	27	--
	Valentine	46	4	24	-3
NE	Norfolk	45	13	27	0
	Sioux City	40	9	27	0
CEN	Grand Island	51	15	29	-2
EC	Lincoln	50	14	33	+2
	Omaha	45	17	30	+1
SW	Imperial	--	--	--	--
	North Platte	48	13	30	0

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.